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1. OCTOBER 30 SECOND-BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF INTER-DENOMINATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR PEACE (REFTEL) WENT OFF SMOOTHLY. RAUL CARDINAL SILVA WAS PRINCIPAL HOST, FLANKED BY METHODIST, LUTERAN, JEWISH, AND CATHOLIC CHURCHMEN.

2. HIGHLIGHT OF CARDINAL'S SPEECH WAS PARAGRAPH ON COMMITTEE'S RELATIONS WITH GOC AUTHORITIES, WHO WERE DESCRIBED AS FIRST AMONG THOSE WHO MAKE POSSIBLE COMMITTEE'S "EXISTENCE AND USEFULNESS." CARDINAL RECOGNIZED THAT SUCH A COMMITTEE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FUNCTION IN SOME COUNTRIES THAT "HARSHLY CRITICIZE OUR NATION," ALTHOUGH THERE ARE NATURALLY CASES OF LACK OF COMPREHENSION, "TENSIONS, EVEN CONFLICTS." COMMITTEE NEVERTHELESS "HAS BEEN AND IS ABLE TO CARRY OUT ITS TASK AND MEET SAUTHORITIES FREQUENTLY. TODAY IT IS APPROPRIATE TO RECOGNIZE AN ATTITUDE THAT APPEARS TO US TO CORRESPOND COMPLETELY WITH A HUMANIST AND CHRISTIAN IDEOLOGY." CARDINAL ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME PEOPLE MAY USE COMMITTEE AS INSTRUMENT FOR WHICH IT WAS NOT INTENDED. ANYONE WHO USES COMMITTEE FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES HAS TO LEAVE.

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3. NO ONE FROM GOVERNMENT ATTENDED CELEBRATION, BUT SPONSORS WERE DELIGHTED WITH DIPLOMATIC ATTENDANCE. AMBASSADORS OR CHARGES CAME FROM MOST EEC COUNTRIES (INCLUDING UK, FRG, FRANCE), CANADA, AUSTRIA AND JAPAN AND DIPLOMATS FROM ARGENTINA AND US (ADCM AND POLITICAL OFFICER) PLUS ICRC, ICEM, AND UNHCR. AMBASSADOR POPPER SENT LETTER OF REGRETS BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING OPENING OF US PAVILIAN AT CHILEAN TRADE FAIR, WHICH WAS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

4. COMMENT: PEACE COMMITTEE MEMBERS CURRENTLY FEEL UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE. BOTH THEY AND DIPLOMATS WERE AWARE OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF LATTERS' PRESENCE, AS NO DOUBT WAS GOC.

5. CARDINAL'S WORDS ABOUT GOVERNMENT WERE UNUSUALLY PLACATORY FOR CURRENT PERIOD OF TENSION. SOME COMMITTEE PEOPLE AND YOUNGER CHURCHMEN THOUGHT HIM UNDULY KIND AND RESENTED PASSAGE ABOUT REMOVING ANYONE ENGAGING IN POLITICS.
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